

SENATE BILL 436
By Crowe

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 2, Part 1, relative to recognition of Eagle Scouts.

WHEREAS, The general assembly recognizes the many valuable contributions made by the Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts to our society and the outstanding training in moral principles and citizenship that these scouting programs provide for young people; and

WHEREAS, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts provide training in first aid, survivorship skills, participation in activities which contribute to the advancement of society, and in cooperation and working together with other people; and

WHEREAS, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts recognize participation in and mastery of certain activities by awarding badges, arrow points, and other indicia of scouting success; and

WHEREAS, The pinnacle of Boy Scout honor and achievement is the Eagle Scout award, and the highest award presented in Girl Scouts is the Gold Award; and

WHEREAS, Only a few scouts display the dedication, focus and diligence necessary to earn the distinguished honor of Eagle Scout or Gold Award, and it is fitting that the General Assembly give appropriate recognition to such outstanding young citizens; now, therefore,
BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 3, Chapter 2, Part 1, is amended by adding a new section thereto, as follows:

Section 3-2-113. Recognition of the dedication and contributions of scouting programs is a fitting purpose of the general assembly. To this end, the general assembly may honor individual Eagle Scouts or Gold Award Girl Scouts in an appropriate manner with a certificate or other document without the adoption or presentation of a resolution or proclamation. Such certificate or other document shall

contain a replica of the state seal and shall commemorate the singular accomplishments of individual Eagle Scouts or Gold Award Girl Scouts.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2005, the public welfare requiring it.